

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 1/18/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-36.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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Primary Examiner

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of the record fails to disclose the step of providing a set of N payload module configurations, wherein the set of N payload module configurations is characterized by sequential addition of a payload module into each of the plurality of payload slots, wherein the sequential addition of the payload module couples the payload module to the network; and coupling (remapping) the N number of payload interface to the switch configuration such that a latency function is minimized for the switch configuration and the set of N payload module configurations in combination of other limitation recited in claims 1,9,28; the step of providing a set of N payload module configurations, wherein the set of N payload module configurations is characterized by sequential addition of a payload module into each of the plurality of payload slots, wherein the sequential addition of the payload module couples the payload module to the network; calculating a plurality of remapping functions for the set of N payload module configurations; and selecting one of the plurality of remapping functions to minimize a latency function, wherein the latency function is a function of the switch configuration and the set of N payload module configurations in combination of other limitation recited in claim 17; the step of providing a set of N payload module configurations, wherein the set of N payload module configurations is characterized by sequential addition of a payload module into each of the plurality of payload slots, wherein the sequential addition of the payload module couples the payload module to the network; calculating a plurality of remapping functions for the set of N payload module configurations; and minimizing an all-to-all transfer time in the network by selecting one of the plurality of remapping functions to

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minimize a latency function, wherein the latency function is a function of the switch configuration and the set of N payload module configurations in combination of other limitation recited in claim 26; the step of providing a set of N payload module configurations, wherein the set of N payload module configurations is characterized by sequential addition of a payload module into each of the plurality of payload slots, wherein the sequential addition of the payload module couples the payload module to the network; and reordering a sequence of adding the payload module into each of the payload slots such that a latency function is minimized, wherein the latency function is a function of the switch configuration and the set of N payload module configurations in combination of other limitation recited in claim 36.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to AJIT G. PATEL whose telephone number is 571-272-3140. The examiner can normally be reached on MONDAY-THURSDAY.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wellington Chin can be reached on 571-272-3134. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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